

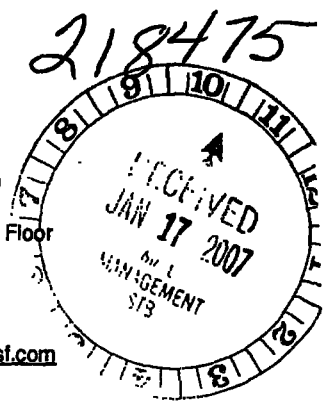


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VIA UPS OVERNIGHT MAIL

January 16, 2007

The Honorable Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

**Re: Surface Transportation Board Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 428X); BNSF Railway Company
Abandonment between French, New Mexico and York Canyon, New Mexico**

Dear Secretary Williams:

On June 1, 2005, BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F-Exempt Abandonments to abandon a 36.90-mile line of railroad that extends between milepost 0.00 near French, New Mexico and milepost 36.90, near York Canyon, New Mexico, in Colfax County, New Mexico. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 87747, 87728, and 87740.

By STB decision served June 21, 2005, the STB granted the exemption authority to abandon, effective July 21, 2005. Within that same decision, the STB stated that the abandonment is to be consummated by June 21, 2006. By decision served December 12, 2006, the STB issued a decision stating that BNSF may file its notice of consummation any time between the service date of this decision and 60 days after service (by February 10, 2007). This letter is to advise the Board that BNSF is consummating the abandonment of the subject line as of the date of this letter.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by date stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Ten (10) additional copies of this letter are enclosed for the Board's use and distribution.

Sincerely,

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